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MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL "ICE" CONSPIRACY UNVEILED

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that TINA LACY, 49, of Greenville, Indiana, JAMES LYNCH, 47, of Greenville, Indiana, DOUGLAS QUIRE, 46, of Pleasureville, Kentucky, CHRISTINA HALL, 34, of Greenville, Indiana, and JESUS RUIZ-RIVERA, 30, of Pleasureville, Kentucky, were indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for, among other charges, conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of "Ice" methamphetamine. The indictment follows a joint investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration, Louisville District Office, and the Floyd County Sheriff's Department.

Lacy, Lynch, Quire, Hall, and Ruiz Rivera -

The indictment alleges that between December, 2004 and now, defendants conspired to distribute multiple pounds of "Ice" methamphetamine in Southern Indiana and Eastern Kentucky. "Ice" refers to high purity methamphetamine. LACY has also been charged with two (2) counts of possession of a firearm during and in relation to a drug trafficking crime.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Cynthia J. Ridgeway, who is prosecuting the case for the government, the defendants face a maximum sentence of life imprisonment and a \$4,000,000.00 fine. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Indianapolis.

The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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